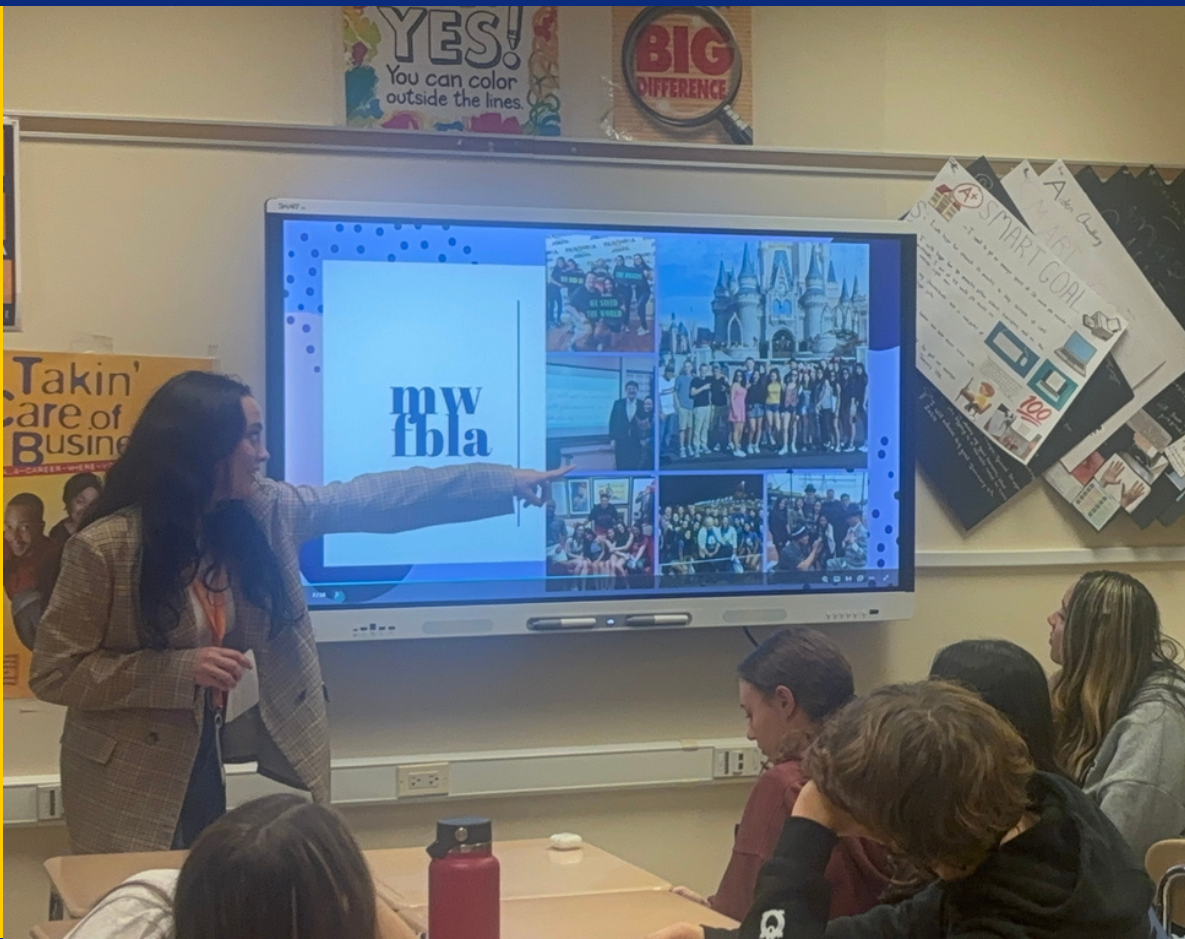


NEW YORK STATE FBLA

# DISTRICT 3N

# WINTER NEWSLETTER



Hello everybody! Winter was very busy here at District 3N, with a mix of volunteering, FBLA alumni speakers, and prepping for competitions! We are excited to share a recap of what we have been up to and hope to inform members about important dates and the many upcoming opportunities in store!

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# WINTER UPDATE:

## FBLA Alumni Visit

BY AVA CHERIAN

FBLA alumni Nicolena Vega (prior Chapter vice president and State Executive Vice President of FBLA) visited Monroe Woodbury High School as in November to give members a presentation. Nicolena talked about her experience with FBLA and how it has helped her develop many skills.

Nicolena explained to members that FBLA competitions had helped her improve her job interview skills and her public speaking. She expressed how thankful she was that she participated in events that required her to learn specific skills to enhance her performance in public speaking. She shared a personal story about her job interview for a company and told members that the best job interview tip she had gotten was one she learned years ago in preparation for an FBLA event: To show confidence in your abilities.

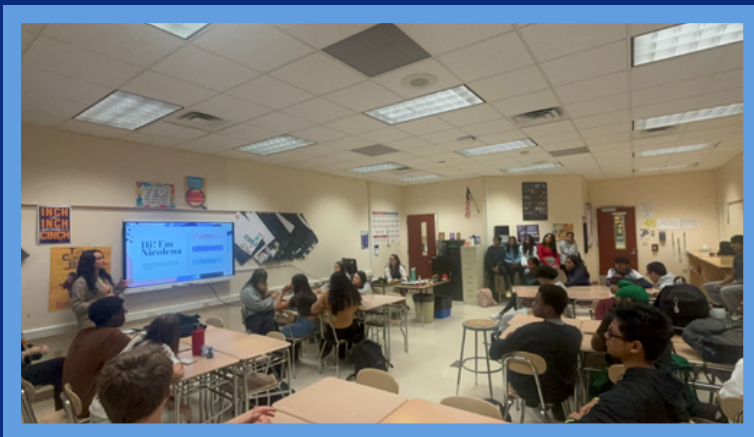
Nicolena also discussed the importance of building relationships with mentors and networking. She expressed that learning how to network was a valuable skill that opened many opportunities. She gave chapter members inspiring advice to help them in their future careers and ended her speech with a fun music video that her officer team made years ago to promote FBLA!



## Winter Holiday Party

BY ELLA CHERIAN

To wrap up the last few days before winter break, our chapter hosted a winter holiday party to celebrate the upcoming holiday season! It was a great way to ease into the break before preparing for the upcoming Spring District Meeting. Officers and members alike brought in treats and drinks for the party! It was a great way for everybody to get the chance to relax and have fun! We hope everyone enjoyed the party and had a wonderful winter break!



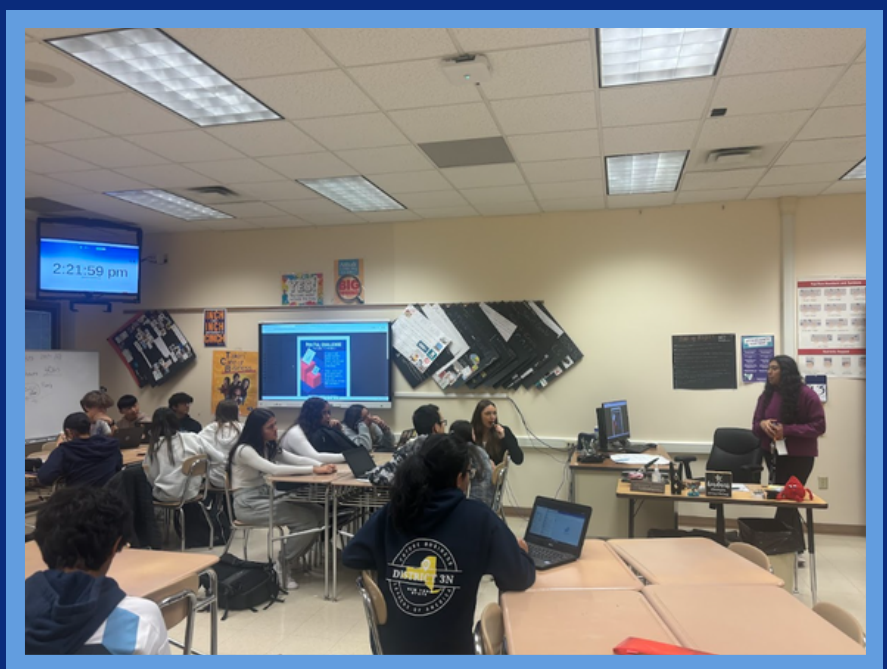
# Former State EVP Speech

BY ELLA CHERIAN

On November 15th, our chapter FBLA got the chance to speak with former FBLA member, Visakhi Miriyapalli, a freshman in college attending Georgia Tech University. Visakhi was the Executive Vice President of last year's NYS FBLA, and had been in FBLA since 8th grade. She shared her advice for members during her visit and reunited with many familiar faces.

During her speech, Miriyapalli shared the many skills that FBLA taught her and how she still uses these skills in her everyday life. She says that FBLA helped her boost her confidence, better her public speaking skills, and learn how to network. During her time spent as FBLA's State Executive Vice President, she learned about the importance of making connections with others and how crucial it is to learn from your mistakes.

To conclude, Miriyapalli talked about the amazing people she met because of FBLA and how she would not know where she would be without them. She shared that her time in this club will forever be cherished and that she can't wait for the present FBLA members to experience new things on their FBLA journey and make amazing memories along the way.



# UPCOMING EVENTS:

## Spring District Meeting

BY SHREYA GIRISH

Monroe-Woodbury will be hosting the 2024 Spring District Meeting on February 1st. In more recent meetings, members of our chapter have been focused on preparing for the various competitions that are offered at the event, including Public Speaking, Client Services, Business Law, Job Interview, and more. Both older members and the officer team have been helping newer members become familiar with competitive events, giving them tips on how to prepare effectively. We hope to continue prepping for SDM and wish everyone good luck on their competition!



# SAVE THE DATE:



- **SPRING DISTRICT MEETING:**  
FEBRUARY 1ST,  
2024
- **BLOOD DRIVE:**  
MARCH 8TH, 2024